

DON'T MESS WITH MASON

As I related in my previous statement - despite the many complexities of the Pequot War scenario, this era can be boiled down and simplified significantly. Unfortunately, most of those simplified factors can still be debated, misinterpreted, ignored, denied, etcetera. The basis of the Pequots disgust and demand is genocide, a powerful word loaded with raw emotions. For some people the 1637 deaths in Mystic was unquestionably an intentional cultural genocide & for others it was a justified defensive victory. Either way, war is hell and many people are going to perish.

Despite how this event is interpreted and handled internally by anyone, there will never be a satisfactory agreement or truce. Therefore, it must be set aside completely along with all the emotions. The ultimate factor that settles this difficult issue is actually fundamentally simple - and that is our inalienable right to freedom of expression. If anyone censures someone else's expression (in this case a symbolic statue) because they allow themselves to be offended by it - than those people lose their moral right to change any aspect of it, let alone remove or destroy it. They simply must tolerate other peoples views and rights and property. If they are not capable of this tolerance then perhaps they should relocate to North Korea.

Any legislator who can not understand and abide by this constitutional principle and fully honor it, should clearly be removed from their office immediately. Senator Osten should be dismissed from the preservation commission because she is blatantly anti-preservation which is a clear conflict of interest. Her goal is to destroy the historic integrity of our Capitol and then some. Her pit bull style of politics is disgusting and shameful, she should immediately cease and desist with this foolish matter - or be banished to the pointless forest. THE JOHN MASON STATUE WILL FOREVER REMAIN in a place of honor on our historic Capitol building.

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